



# Eat your veggies poll!



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[Poll #1227984](https://www.livejournal.com/poll/?id=1227984) (<https://www.livejournal.com/poll/?id=1227984>)

Open to: All, detailed results viewable to: All. Participants: 165

What do you call edible plant material other than fruit, herbs, and grains?

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vegetables

**112** (41.3%)

veg

**15** (5.5%)

veggies

**102** (37.6%)

rabbit food

**20** (7.4%)

fodder

**2** (0.7%)

ticky!

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Where do you live?

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USA

**138** (82.6%)

Canada

**7** (4.2%)

England

**11** (6.6%)

Australia

**5** (3.0%)

Other English-speaking ticky

**3** (1.8%)

Other non-English speaking ticky

**3** (1.8%)

Where did you grow up?

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#### [locked] Dream Journal

All right, unconscious mind. We're coming to an accommodation. If the dreams are you cleaning

Elvis doesn't live here anymore.

Hey there. Sorry about the drama. It was... it was an emotional decision, and I didn't

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40 comments

**kolorlo**

July 22 2008, 23:51:14 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Oh duuude - Britain, not England! Rookie's mistake :p



**cvillette**

July 22 2008, 23:55:43 UTC Edited: July 22 2008, 23:58:03 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

No. Ireland, Scotland, and Wales fall under "Other English-speaking ticky." As does New Zealand.

(And I would have said "The UK" if that was what I meant.)



[pdlloyd](#)

July 23 2008, 00:01:43 UTC

[COLLAPSE](#)

Hey, according to some of the folks I talked to when I was in England, there are parts of *England* where they don't speak English. Me, an American, they let get by as speaking "slang English." ;>



[kalorlo](#)

July 23 2008, 00:10:33 UTC

[COLLAPSE](#)

Heheh. I \*almost\* didn't post. It just struck me as a slightly odd way of breaking it up if you were going for that - I'd have thought the differences within England (they have some *weird* names for things in northern England :p) would be pretty much as large as within the whole of the UK.



[cinderberry](#)

July 23 2008, 09:23:40 UTC

[COLLAPSE](#)

Heehee. In the North-East of England the things under discussion are frequently called "ye whuh?" As in, "what is this you are trying to serve me, my friend?":)



[nebula99](#)

July 23 2008, 11:50:40 UTC

[COLLAPSE](#)

what IS interesting is how turnips and swede become interchangeable somewhere north of Manchester.

We northerners do think they have funny names for things in the south. \*G\*



[cvillette](#)

July 23 2008, 12:45:46 UTC

[COLLAPSE](#)

Is there a difference between swedes and turnips?

<--ignorant American



[nebula99](#)

July 23 2008, 15:09:35 UTC

[COLLAPSE](#)

\*lol\*

I'm not 100% but I think you call swedes "rutabaga". They are the orange ones. Turnips are the white ones. Unless you are in the very north of England or Scotland, in which case it is often the other way round.

The whole English English and American English is such swings and roundabouts, isn't it? "Zucchini" is a much nicer word than "courgette", but don't you think "aubergine" is prettier than "eggplant"?



[pdlloyd](#)

July 23 2008, 00:16:58 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

BTW - As multiple choice polls tend to lump answers in a way that doesn't lend itself to ambiguities, I thought I'd mention that what I call edible plant matter varies with the context. If I'm in a formal situation, I may say "vegetables," I may say "veggies" in a more casual setting, or depending upon the context, or if I'm teasing someone, say "rabbit food," or "fodder." Oh, and I'm more likely to use "veg" as a verb, as in: "I'm tired, so I think I'll just sit and veg in front of the television."



[jimsmyth](#)

July 23 2008, 00:58:22 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I will occasional "veg out", but in that case, I am not referring to any for of edible plant matter.

Though, to confuse/annoy the poll, I usually use the word vegebles for the salad-type plants.

[jennythe\\_reader](#)

July 23 2008, 03:01:15 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

You forgot the "what food eats" option for the first question!

[jadegirl](#)

July 23 2008, 03:08:07 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Actually, I can be annoyingly precise. Squash, cucumbers, etc. are vegetables, but spinach, lettuce, kale, etc. are greens. I don't know particularly why I differentiate like that, I just always have.

[bunny\\_m](#)

July 23 2008, 03:44:31 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

*Minimum waaaaage, Yah! \*!whipcrack!\**



[calanthe\\_b](#)

July 23 2008, 04:41:27 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

'Rabbit food' is salad vegetables here - lettuce, celery, carrot etc - mostly used by men. Though carrot is Hearty and Masculine if roasted, apparently.

Otherwise, it's veggies and vegetables all the way...



[inaurolillium](#)

July 23 2008, 05:17:53 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I use "vegetables" in formal situations (writing, any kind of verbal communication in a formal setting), "veggies with friends, and "veg" at work (cooks tend towards efficiency and conciseness, at least while working, and will not use two syllables when one will do). I think I even have the phrase "asparagus veg" on one of my employer-printed prep sheets (it's shorthand for "the vegetables that go in the asparagus soup," and is used in conjunction with "asparagus broth;" my notes to myself therefore include several lines ab out "asp veg" and "asp broth").



[cvillette](#)

July 23 2008, 12:04:24 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Asp broth. Is that like snake wine?



[inaurolillium](#)

July 23 2008, 12:54:22 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

No, unfortunately not, but it is a rather fascinating shade of green is prepared properly.

[trinker](#)

July 23 2008, 15:28:16 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Ditto. (well, I don't work professionally with food)



[inaurolillium](#)

July 23 2008, 05:18:14 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Oh, hey, I keep wanting to ask you: how do you like the Shun?



[cvillette](#)

July 23 2008, 12:04:45 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

It's fine. Could you be a little pushier?



[inaurolillium](#)

July 23 2008, 12:52:31 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I beg your pardon. I was unaware that there was anything pushy about asking your about your enjoyment and experience of a tool of my profession and your hobby. In future, I shall keep such inquires to myself.



[inaurolillium](#)

July 24 2008, 00:02:46 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Wow. I really did upset you.

Chaz, I still don't know why or how I offended you so badly, but I'm truly sorry. Regardless of whether I'm the reason you're taking a vacation from LJ, you clearly don't want me around. I'll leave you alone. If you decide you want to talk to me again, you know where to find me, and I'll be glad to see you, but if you don't, well, I won't bother you.

Again, I'm sorry.

Goodbye.



[withneedle](#)

July 23 2008, 06:10:15 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I use the word "vegetables" more or less uniformly. I'm not crazy about "veggies" because I associate it with being coaxed to eat forms of edible plant matter other than fruit, herbs, etc. that I happen to loathe, like canned peas.

 [exceptinsects](#)

July 23 2008, 07:13:38 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

I haaate when people say "veggies". We are not five. Say the damn word.



 [cvillette](#)

July 23 2008, 12:01:50 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Veggies! Veggies!Veggies!Veggies!Veggies!

 [exceptinsects](#)

July 23 2008, 07:32:55 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Oh, and now I just read your previous post, and if I'd read that first I probably wouldn't have said the above, or at least said it more nicely, but there you go.

Now you know my true feelings. :P

 [tamnonlinear](#)

July 23 2008, 13:30:36 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

The restaurant where my dance friends liked to have a meal after class has a southern theme. One of the side dishes is "Southern Greens".

When one of the folks complained that it wasn't a specific enough term (most of us are Northerners), it was explained that this is a generic term, and the recipe was basically "Take anything green in the kitchen and cook it until it isn't any more."



 [cvillette](#)

July 23 2008, 13:38:01 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

poor greens!

 [tamnonlinear](#)

July 23 2008, 13:40:12 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

[Carrot Juice is Murder!](#)



 [cvillette](#)

July 23 2008, 13:48:17 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

and I am a serial killer.

 [tamnonlinear](#)

July 23 2008, 14:06:57 UTC [COLLAPSE](#)

Hey dear, I deleted my other comment, just saw your other post. I didn't know you were having a bad day, and I'm sorry if anything I said made it worse. I'm sorry if it struck a bad note. If you're taking a break from LJ, I hope it helps.

Did you find the brownies I sent you yet? They might have been hidden in the freezer to make sure they'd keep.



[cvillette](#)

[July 23 2008, 14:11:13 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

The brownies are amazing. I've been rationing them to weekends. Thank you so much! I should have said something earlier, but... I'm a loser.



[tamnonlinear](#)

[July 23 2008, 14:16:48 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

You are not a loser. No saying mean things about my friends. I do not give my brownies to losers. You are a brownie earning person, and that is a very small portion of the world.

I'm glad they were well received and ever happier that you're here to have them. For what it's worth.



[glinda\\_w](#)

[July 24 2008, 00:29:16 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

Not a loser. (IMO, etc.)

You sound like you're having a tough time with recovering and PT and all that. I'm trying not to be all "helpy" here, but... you sound so much like me, not cutting yourself enough slack when there's physical stuff going on. Just sayin'.



[trollcatz](#)

[July 23 2008, 15:42:46 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

I didn't start this! I want that on record right now. Tamnonlinear ASKED for this, and now she's gonna get it!

<http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=JcPz850o3d4>



[tamnonlinear](#)

[July 23 2008, 15:52:26 UTC](#)

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[COLLAPSE](#)

Yes, but which version of Last Saskatchewan Pirate do you like better, [Arrogant Worms](#) or [Captain Tractor](#)?



[trollcatz](#)

[July 23 2008, 22:44:55 UTC](#)

[COLLAPSE](#)

I can make out the words best on the Arrogant Worms version, but it's Captain Tractor FTW for the video. Little kids in eyepatches singing pirate songs! Edmonton Mall plundering! Too great!

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jimsmyth

July 24 2008, 18:48:49 UTC

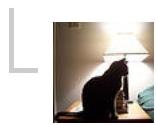
[COLLAPSE](#)

Cooking things like Spinach and Brussels Sprouts until they are much is the activity that convince me they were not edible.

Thankfully, a cook from Brooklyn managed to show me otherwise by the simple process of cooking them properly.

Kale and turnips greens are not a feature of New England cooking, so I am not experienced with their cooked forms. I know of Curly Kale as something to layer over the ice in the salad bar, and turnip greens as the part you take off the turnip before cooking it.

I fail at Southern.



txeanne

July 25 2008, 11:33:38 UTC

[COLLAPSE](#)

What she said. And they're cooked into mush with hamhocks or bacon--some salty pork-related meat, anyway.

jennythe\_reader

July 23 2008, 21:50:06 UTC

[COLLAPSE](#)

Hey Chaz-

This is totally off topic, and I know you said that you're taking a break from LJ for a while, but I was reminded of a cookie recipe the other day that I think you'd like.

Let me know if you want me to put it into a comment here, or post it on my own LJ and send you the link, or just save it for later.

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